

43rd ASSEMBLY DISTRICT • ASSEMBLY DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS CHAIR

For Immediate Release September 3, 2015

Jorgensen Offers Help to HyPro Workers Following News of Whitewater Facility Closure

Contact: Rebekah Sweeney

(608) 266-3790

MADISON – State Representative Andy Jorgensen (D-Milton) released the following statement regarding notice he has been given that HyPro, Inc. of Whitewater plans to consolidate its operations and close its Whitewater facility. This closure is expected to displace 62 employees within the next two months.

"I know how hard it is to get the news of a lay-off, and my heart goes out to those families facing a challenging new reality tonight. But, they should know that they aren't alone and I'm here to help them, as are many other people.

"Whether you have questions about unemployment benefits, educational opportunities, or job search resources, I can help. Give me a call anytime, toll-free, at (888) 534-0043, and we'll work together to find a way forward."

Jorgensen also had this to say regarding the state's overall business climate.

"The corporate tax breaks Republicans have pushed for years through WEDC aren't working, and that's painfully illustrated by the fact that we continue to see major job losses in manufacturing in Wisconsin.

"It's time for those in power to consider new ideas – Democratic ideas – to boost businesses which continue to struggle in this economic environment. Worker training and retraining programs, direct tax relief to the middle class, and initiatives like my Made in America proposal could make a real difference, as we attempt to set Wisconsin on a path to economic stability and strength."

###